



Supervisor Jon Kaiman
and the North Hempstead Town Board
Invites You to:

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Welcome From Supervisor Jon Kaiman

Dear North Hempstead Resident,

Since taking office in January, 2004 as North Hempstead Town Supervisor, this administration has done its best to give our residents the highest level of services, programs, and facilities possible. We've incorporated easy access to town hall through 311 (2005) and instituted an award winning performance measurement system – TownStat (2005) that will log in upwards of 200,000 calls this year alone.

From our school recycling partnership programs (2006) to our "aging in place" program for our senior citizens Project Independence (2008) we have engaged our residents in positive and meaningful ways that have improved the environment in which we live and the quality of our lives. From building the clubhouse at Harbor Links (2005) to complete redesign and reconstruction of Tully (2010) and Manorhaven (2011) pools, we have worked to make the recreation experience here in town second to none. We imagined and the built the brand new state of the art, platinum LEED certified Yes We Can community center in Westbury (2012) and we've improved many of our older buildings, parks and fields.

We also added a number of festivals to our annual schedule (EcoFest (2006), Family BeachFest (2007), North Hempstead Day (2005), Not So Spooky Walk (2005), Winter Wonderland (2006), Polar Plunge (2007), Gold Coast International Film Festival (2011), and Kidstock (2011) while bringing back our Memorial Day Fireworks Commemoration (2004) and adding fun filled annual concert events such as Beatlemania (2008).

Please look through this guide and find what you like and join us. When it comes to North Hempstead parks and programs, You Belong!

Sincerely,

Jon Kaiman

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Photos: Top, Skate Spot at Manorhaven Park; Middle and Bottom Left, Beatlemania & Baseball fields Tully Park; Middle Right, Aquatic Activity Center; Bottom Right, Memorial Day Fireworks

Harbor Links

You are already a member of North Hempstead's award-winning Harbor Links Golf Course. Featuring an 18-hole championship links-style golf course and a 9-hole executive course. Harbor Links boasts scenic fairways, tall fescues and meticulously manicured greens. The Clubhouse at Harbor Links is open to all and features a grill room open for lunch and dinner, a golf store, and a catering facility where you can book your special events and meetings. The Port Washington site also features a golf range, miniature golf and multi-purpose athletic fields.



The Sandminers Monument

This brand new park is located near the entrance to Harbor Links. The Sandminers Monument honors those who worked the mines from 1865 to 1989. Over 140 million cubic yards of Port Washington sand was used to construct the skyscrapers of New York City.



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North Hempstead's Aquatic Activity Center in New Hyde Park

The indoor pool at Tully Park in New Hyde Park was transformed in 2010 into North Hempstead's Aquatic Activity Center. Featuring a 30,000 square foot indoor facility, the Aquatic Activity Center features a zero-depth entry area for wading, six lanes for lap swimming, the signature figure-eight water slide, water spray features, fitness center and children's party room.



North Hempstead's Manorhaven Beach Park & Pool Complex in Port Washington

Remodeled, reconstructed and reopened to you and your family in 2011, this 37,000-plus square foot family-friendly center boasts a main pool area with lap and general swim areas, two water slides, water spray features, concession area and bathhouse. Manorhaven Park also features new baseball fields, a skate spot, kayak launch and a beach with breathtaking views of Manhasset Bay.



Clark Botanic Garden

Featuring 12 beautiful acres of gardens, trees, ponds and streams, North Hempstead's Clark Botanic Garden provides a sanctuary of peace, aesthetic enjoyment and education for all ages. Come and see Clark's collection of native spring wildflowers, conifers, roses, perennials, day lilies, wetland plants, rock garden plants, herbs, butterfly plants, medicinal plants and over a dozen collections of unique and unusual plant families. Plant sales are offered in spring and autumn. Clark Garden is home to our Spooky Walk, EcoFest and Winter Wonderland.



Town Dock

Located on Main Street in Port Washington, North Hempstead's Town Dock is much more than a popular local fixture where you tie up your boat or load and unload passengers. It provides year-round, picturesque views of Manhasset Bay as well as opportunities for a variety of aquatic recreational activities including boating, kayaking and fishing. The Town Dock also serves as North Hempstead's Harbor Patrol headquarters.

North Hempstead's "Yes We Can" Community Center in Westbury

North Hempstead's Community Center in Westbury is a state-of-the-art, 60,000 square foot facility that features a massive gymnasium, fitness center, dance studio, TV/recording studios, computer center, game room, multi-purpose rooms, senior citizen lounge, banquet rooms, business space, quiet room and internet café.

In addition, the Community Center is a Platinum-Leed Certified facility, signifying it as one of the most environmentally-friendly buildings in New York State. Roof-top solar panels, geothermal wells, solar carport and rain water harvest system are just a few of the Center's green features.



EcoFest

Held each spring, EcoFest invites you, your family and friends of all ages to Clark Botanic Garden in Albertson, the Town's 12-acre forest garden, where you are treated to musical performances as well as environmental activities, wildlife demonstrations, lawn games, face painting and more. Since its introduction in 2006, EcoFest has entertained thousands of visitors while inspiring them to become stewards of the environment and ultimately ambassadors for a greener world.



Asian American Festival

North Hempstead prides itself on its growing ethnic diversity. The annual Asian American Festival has become one of the area's foremost events where you can sample the food, culture and the arts of China, India, Japan, Korea, Pakistan and other Asian and South Asian countries. The three year old beach front gala on the grounds of North Hempstead Beach Park on West Shore Road in Port Washington entertains, educates and inspires.



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Memorial Day Fireworks

North Hempstead's annual Memorial Day Fireworks commemorating our nation's fallen heroes, is one of Long Island's largest Memorial Day tributes. Tens of thousands of residents are on hand during North Hempstead's moving and somber ceremony honoring American soldiers who died in battle. The commemoration is followed by live music and a spectacular fireworks show in honor of our American soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of our country.



KidStock

Move over Woodstock, KidStock is here and now! A five hour festival dedicated exclusively to young children and is hosted each year by Sesame Street's Gordon who brings lots of fun and fond memories to all who attend. This two year old festival is fast becoming a favorite among families who love live music, dancing with their kids, and outdoor fun at North Hempstead Beach Park. Bring your picnic blanket, lawn chairs and lots of energy.



Family Fest

Six years ago, North Hempstead initiated its very own Family Beach Festival complete with live music, reptile shows, face painting, kite flying, sandcastle building and kayak lessons all at North Hempstead Beach Park. This end of summer festival closes out the season each September with fun, food, music and entertainment. Family Fest is another fun filled event where picnic blankets and lawn chairs are a must while you enjoy this end of summer blast.



Spooky Walk & Not-So-Spooky Walk

As if our summer festival season wasn't enough, we kick off the fall season with our ghoulish scare fest at Clark Botanic Garden in Albertson. Each year, ghosts, goblins and swamp monsters take over the 12-acre smog shrouded park. In 2006 a new addition, the Not-So-Spooky Walk, was created during day light hours for our less adventurous youngsters.



North Hempstead Day

North Hempstead is proud of its history. And each year at the onset of fall, we show it by celebrating North Hempstead Day, a reenactment of the date in 1775 when we separated from the Town of Hempstead. From Supervisor Jon Kaiman to the Town Board, our officials dress up in period costumes.



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Gold Coast International Film Festival

In 2011, North Hempstead kicked off the Gold Coast International Film Festival, bringing a renewed spirit in the arts and movies to the north shore of Long Island. This budding new festival will give our residents the chance to meet directors, actors and producers while viewing hot new films at many of our local theaters.



Winter Wonderland

Each December, the Town of North Hempstead sets up our model train set, lights the fire at Clark Garden and settles in to story time and cookie making as we embrace the coming winter. This special time of faith, family and friendship is the perfect time to celebrate winter in the Town of North Hempstead.



Polar Plunge

Beginning six years ago, the Town of North Hempstead partnered with the Special Olympics to bring the Polar Plunge to North Hempstead Beach Park. Hundreds of brave souls plunge into the icy cold waters at winter's end, the coldest water of the year. Supervisor Jon Kaiman has made the plunge himself five of those six years. Many of our local elected officials plunge each year in support of those in need.



Project Independence

The Town of North Hempstead created Project Independence to provide our older residents with a support system that enables them to “age in place” and to live in their home and community for as long as they are able. This program is fast becoming a national model.

Initiated in 2005, Project Independence has helped thousands of seniors with transportation to their medical doctor or local market, assistance with medical issues through our visiting nurse program, additional assistance through our social worker program, handyman services, educational and informational assistance and the list goes on. By simply calling 311, any senior can get the help they need in the Town of North Hempstead.



Beginning in 2009, the Project Independence Transportation Initiative has helped thousands of seniors get to their doctor appointments and their local shopping centers.



Advisory committees help Project Independence provide the best services possible.

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311

To make it easier for you to get information and a swift response to questions and concerns, North Hempstead formed the nation’s first suburban 311 Call Center in 2005. A centralized information clearing house, the 311 Center receives, logs-in, and responds to over 180,000 calls annually.

The Center’s staff is highly trained, courteous, knowledgeable and equipped to answer queries and log in service requests.

By resolving many issues at the first contact, the Town provides a quicker response and reduces call volume for the various departments throughout the Town.



TownStat

TownStat, our award winning efficiency monitoring program, was conceived with the notion that government employees, managers, and decision makers are accountable for their job performance. TownStat, winner of the 2011 and 2012 International City/County Management Association Certificate of Distinction, allows the Town to monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of how we address your concerns. By tracking our performance and, in turn, making adjustments based on the collected data, we make better decisions and do a better job on behalf of our residents.



North Hempstead was awarded the 2011 and 2012 ICMA Certificate of Distinction

School Recycling Partnership Program

North Hempstead's award winning School Recycling Program involves 40,000 students annually saving thousands of trees, tens of thousands of gallons of water, and hundreds of barrels of oil each year.

In this program, the Town provides recycle bins for each classroom, in each school, in each school district (nine of the Town's eleven school districts participate along with two private schools). The Town provides heavy duty scales to weigh the recycled materials each week, and the children calculate the impact of the recyclables that they have collected. The Town then picks up the recyclables and disposes of them for proper recycling.



Since its inception in 2008, the Town has added additional projects to the School Recycling Program including: Ewaste (electronic waste) collection at our local schools; a school composting cooperative program; a "Caps Back" program in which the Town collects bottle caps that are not generally recyclable and sells them to Estee-Lauder for reuse; a pharmaceutical collection program, in partnership with our local police departments, that results in the removal of thousands of pounds of medication and narcotics from home medicine chests that are then properly disposed of; a "Food to Feed" program in which the Town collects unopened food products from our school cafeterias and delivers them to local food pantries for those who are less fortunate; and most recently, a "Recycle the Rain" program, in which the Town provides rain barrels to collect rainwater for reuse on school gardens. The Town also hosts recycled art contests, in which thousands of our students participate.

The students participating learn the value of recycling for our environment, civic responsibility, the science of energy, and the arithmetic used to calculate the effectiveness of the programs.

Participating School Districts include: Carle Place, East Williston, Great Neck, Herricks, Manhasset, New Hyde Park, Port Washington, Sewanhaka, and Westbury. Also participating are Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. (The Mineola and Roslyn school districts are not participating)





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